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Gen. Taylor Named A Kennedy Adviser

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WASHINGTON, June 26—

President Kennedy announced today that he was recalling Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, former Army Chief of Staff, to active military service with the title of **Military Representative of the President**. The assignment is effective July 1.

General Taylor will assist the President as an adviser and staff officer primarily within the military and intelligence field.

His recall as a four-star general emphasizes the significance the President attaches to the Berlin problem, which Premier Khrushchev of the Soviet Union insists must be settled in 1961.

General Taylor, in September, 1949, became the first United States commander at Berlin.

One of his first assignments will be to review the planning to preserve Allied rights in Berlin and to submit comments and recommendations to the President.

The title of military representative of the President has not been used before as far as the White House staff knew.

A statement issued by the White House press secretary, Pierre Salinger, said General Taylor "will have no command authority but will have access to all information necessary for the discharge of his responsibilities to the President." The statement went on:

"As military representative, General Taylor will be staff officer advising and assisting the President with regard to those military matters which reach him as Commander in chief of the Armed Forces. In his new role, General Taylor will not be interposed between the President and any of his statutory advisers or advisory bodies such as the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff or the National Security Council. But he will maintain close liaison with them and give his personal views to assist the President in reaching decisions.

Will Watch Intelligence

"General Taylor will be available to represent the President when the latter desires senior military representation at home or abroad.

"In the intelligence field, General Taylor will have the responsibility of watching the functioning of the intelligence apparatus of the Government to assure the President it meets the future needs of the Government.

"He will work closely with President's foreign intelligence advisory board and verify that maximum use is made of its recommendations."

General Taylor has been working in the Pentagon recently on a special assignment for President Kennedy to inquire into the nation's intelligence activities. The White House press secretary said that General Taylor had made his report to the President orally over a period of weeks and that that assignment had been completed. In his new post General Taylor will have an office in the White House.

During World War II, Admiral William D. Leahy held a White House post as personal chief of staff to the Commander-in-Chief. The White House said General Taylor would not be a personal chief of staff.

General Taylor has generally



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Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor

avored a unification of the three services under a single chief, Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, present chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, favors the present system.

Possibly with that in mind, the White House emphasized that General Taylor's advice to the President would be in addition to, and not a substitute for, the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

General Taylor believes that if the use of force becomes necessary the Soviet Union can be fought on the ground in Europe. During the Eisenhower Administration, he fought for increasing the nation's capacity to wage limited warfare.

He was Chief of Staff of the Army from 1955 to 1959. He is 59 years old now and is on leave as president of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York.

General Taylor fought in the Sicilian and Italian campaigns in World War II and led the 101st Airborne Division in the invasion of the Netherlands and in the campaigns of the Ardennes and Central Europe. He led the Eighth Army in the Korean War.

His Leadership Praised

John A. Rockefeller 3d, chairman of the Board of Directors for the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, issued a statement yesterday expressing appreciation for General Taylor's "imaginative and effective leadership" during his presidency of the center.

It was announced that Edgar B. Young would continue as acting president.